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U27-83-14N, U27-85-04N
U27-85-03N, U27-85-05N
U27-85-06N, U27-85-08N
U27-85-10N, U27-86-01N
U27-86-03N, U27-86-06N
U27-86-07N, U27-86-09N
U27-86-13N, U27-87-10N
U27-87-11N, U27-87-13N
U27-87-15N

Mr. Jerry North
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Dear Mr. North:

On September 4, 1991, you met with geologist, Maria Soriano, in our District Office to discuss the current status of Interstate Brick mining notices. The following was discussed:

1. Reclamation efforts done on Ten Mile Pass area, Notices U27-83-14N and U27-85-10N were examined on August 8, 1991. It was found that the trench was filled and stockpiles leveled as requested on letter sent on October 4, 1990. However, no evidence of seeding was noticed. If seeding was applied, please send a letter stating so accompanied by proof of the procedure. Otherwise the area will have to be scarified and reseeded with the mixture recommended in the letter dated October 4, 1990. This needs to be done by December 1, 1991.

2. You mentioned that the Clay Research and Jack Rabbit Projects located on the Iron Hill area in T.7S., R.1E/W, section 12, are still active. Please submit information on these projects and these cases (i.e. U27-85-08N, U27-87-13N, and U27-87-15N). A field inspection will be schedule in the near future.

3. As you affirmed during the meeting, the Smokey Joe project (U27-85-09N, U27-87-15N and U27-86-04N) is still active. This is located on Soldier's Pass area T.7S., R.1W., section 8 and 9. Please submit a current status report on this notice. What type of work has been done, your current work, and total material that has been extracted. Please provide a topographic map illustrating specific location of work.

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4. The drilling activity in Sunshine Mine claims (notices U27-85-05N and U27-87-11N) located in T.6S., R.3W., section 27 was inspected on August 30. Only one drill hole was found. This drill hole was shallow (approximately 10 feet) and Maria back filled it with cuttings. However a trench and clay stockpile were found on the hill west of the mentioned drill hole. This needs to be leveled, scarified and seed applied.

5. The Black Shale Lode and Black Diamond Placer claims located in Clay Canyon area in T.6S., R.3W., section 22 (U27-85-04N and U27-86-09N), were also inspected and it was found that no unnecessary or undue degradation has occurred. These cases are closed and no additional disturbances are permitted.

6. The files for West Canyon and Jeppson claims on T.5S., R.3W., section 3, 10, 11, and 14 (U27-85-13N, U27-86-03N, and U27-87-10N) are not current. The last information received by this office was 4 years ago. It is my understanding that a joint field inspection is planned for the month of October. Please submit information about drilling and any other activities that took place in the area.

7. It was stated that the Crooked Canyon claims (U27-85-06N and U27-86-06N) located on T.11S., R.1W., section 9 along with the Big Top claims (U27-85-03N and U27-86-07N located on T.7S., R.1W., section 1 have not been active for several years. A field inspection is necessary to determine the magnitude of reclamation needed.

8. During the meeting you identified the location of Five Mile Pass clay mining activities (U27-84-13N, U27-85-07N, and U27-87-12N). A 1987 aerial photo shows clay stockpiled on public land. This needs to be leveled, scarified and seed applied. Also any disturbance created by Interstate Brick on BLM administered land needs to be reclaimed. A joint field inspection will be scheduled in the near future.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Maria Soriano or Steve Brooks at 977-4300.

Sincerely,

Howard Hedrick

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